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In re the Application of
Roger P. Ekins
Serial No. 07/984,264
Filed: December 11, 1992
For: DETERMINATION OF AMBIENT CONCENTRATION OF SEVERAL ANALYTES

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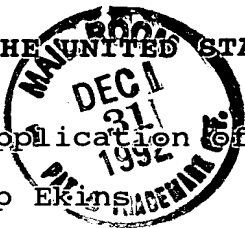
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

It is respectfully requested that the above-identified application be amended, before issuance of a first Official Action on the merits, as follows.

In the Claims:

Please add the following new claims numbered 12-28.

12. A method for determining the ambient concentrations of a plurality of analytes in a liquid sample of volume V liters, comprising:

loading a plurality of different binding agents, each being capable of reversibly binding an analyte which is or may be present in the liquid sample and is specific for said analyte as compared to the other components of the liquid sample, onto a support means at a plurality of spaced apart small spots such that each spot has a high coating density of one of said binding agents but not more than 0.1 V/K moles of binding agent are present on any spot, where K liters/mole is the ^{affinity}equilibrium constant of said binding agent for said analyte;